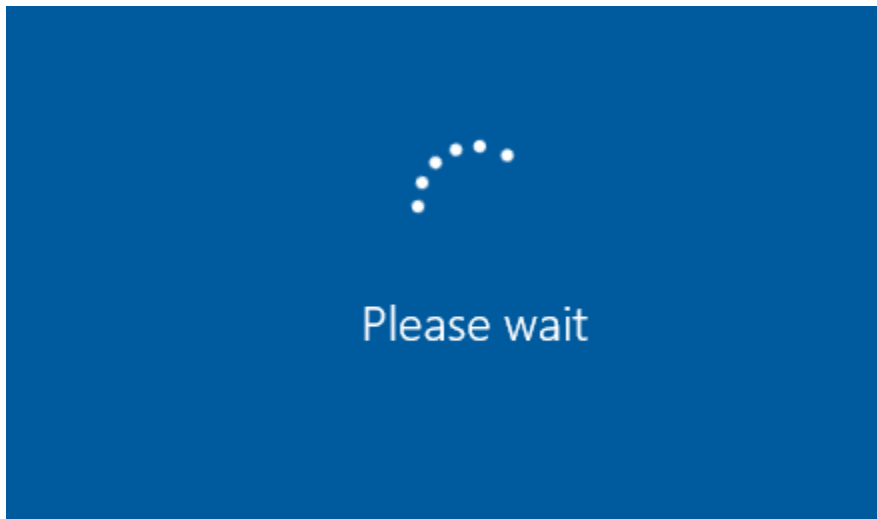


Waiting



'The idea of waiting for something makes it more exciting.'

Andy Warhol

- In our modern, instant society, we're not used to waiting. Nobody likes being made to wait, whether we're in a queue, stuck in traffic, expecting a delivery, or a child waiting for Christmas or the holidays – but can waiting ever be a good thing?
- We can choose how we respond when we're forced to wait. Do we become increasingly frustrated, or do we learn to be patient? We know that sometimes it's good for children to learn to wait, rather than having everything they want straight away. Perhaps you can look back on a time in your life when being made to wait for something actually proved to be good for you?
- Advent is a season of waiting in the Christian calendar, of making preparations and getting ready for Christmas. Waiting doesn't have to be something passive.
- What are you waiting for at the moment? Maybe there's a particular situation that you wish could be resolved. Is there anything you can do to bring something positive out of the waiting?